

GOHAM BANKS ROTTEN FINDS GRAND JURY

CARNEGIE TRUST COMPANY UNDER INVESTIGATION—SENATIONAL CHARGES.

HUGH SLUSH FUND KEPT

Thousands Spent to Bribe Man Who Could Lead Business Toward the Bank and Far Worse Charges Are Expected to Follow Further Investigation of the Alleged Rottenness.

New York, March 30.—Rotten banking methods in New York, worse than were shown up when Morse failed, are expected to develop here through the work of the grand jury investigating the Carnegie Trust company. The jury looks for evidence to show that certain banks maintain a slush fund for the purpose of bribery of persons able to make new business for them.

It is already shown that the Carnegie institution maintained \$1,500,000 for this purpose and the grand jury has just learned that \$15,000 was paid to have ex-President Dickinson elected trustee of Cornell university. These facts are believed to be only a hint of rottenness yet to be uncovered.

It is reported six felony indictments are held, pending further investigation of the bank.

For Race Advancement.

Boston, Mass., March 30.—The third annual conference of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored people, which began a two days' session at the Park street church in this city today, has attracted a notable gathering of men and women interested in the uplift of the negro race. Among the speakers to be heard are Governor Foss of Massachusetts, Charles J. Bonaparte, former attorney general of the United States; Oswald G. Willard, of New York; Mrs. Florence Kelley, of the National Consumers' league; Moorfield Storey, of Boston, and Rabbi Stephen S. Wise of New York.

New Japanese Battleship.

Tokio, March 30.—The new Japanese battleship Sottau, one of the most formidable fighting machines of the new Japanese navy, was successfully launched today. The vessel will have a displacement of 20,800 tons and will carry 12 12-inch guns and ten ten-inch guns in her main armament.

Dog Show at Springfield.

Springfield, Ill., March 30.—Five hundred of the best dogs in the central west were put on show at the state arsenal today, the occasion being the annual exhibition of the Springfield Kennel club. The show will last three days.

DAYLIGHT THUGS IN SPOKANE

JEWELRY STORE ROBBED OF BIG SUM IN PRECIOUS STONES.

Proprietor Knocked Down and Placed Robbed in Daylight.

Spokane, March 30.—Unmasked, two thugs walked into the jewelry store of Richard Wegner on Washington street at about 9 o'clock this morning, struck him on the head, robbed the place of over \$5,000 in diamonds, jewelry and money, and escaped, while people passed the place. The jeweler was found unconscious by a chance customer a few minutes later. A good description of the robbers was obtained and the entire detective department is on the case.

BANNER LEAVES COUNTRY.

At the Time of His Indictment, Danville Banker Is Abroad.

Danville, March 30.—Coincident with his indictment for perjury, F. X. Lesseur, son-in-law of the former speaker, Joe Cannon, has left for Europe. The reports are current that he will not return until the grand jury investigation of alleged fraud quits work.

Lesseur is president of the First National bank and is wealthy.

Wickersham to Address Jewelers.

Providence, R. I., March 30.—The New England Jewelers and Silversmiths' association, which entertained President Taft last year, has provided for noted speakers at its annual banquet here Saturday night. Among those who will be heard are Attorney General Wickersham, ex-Congressman J. Adam Bede of Minnesota and Prof. William P. Shepherd of Columbia university.

Iowa Teachers in Session.

Atlantic, Ia., March 30.—A large attendance marked the opening here today of the annual convention of the Southwest Iowa Teachers' association. The program covers three days and provides for addresses and discussions dealing with all branches of school work. Several educators of wide prominence will be heard.

MINISTER FACES PRISON TERM

SEATTLE PRESBYTERIAN CONVICTED OF IMPROPER ACTS.

Retired Pastor Awaits Sentence Which Will Be Penitentiary Term.

Seattle, March 30.—Rev. E. B. Sutton, a retired Presbyterian minister, is today facing a penitentiary sentence for neglecting his duties as registration clerk in the recent recall election. He registered for a woman who was sick and changed another name, which had been registered wrongly. He is convicted and is out pending sentence.

Maniac Caged for Thirty Years.

Chicago, Ill., March 28.—One of the most remarkable cases of its kind that has come to the attention of the Lake county authorities in years was brought to light today when George Odett was tried for his sanity at his home near the town of Gurnee. It developed that Odett, a man of middle age, had been violently insane for 30 years and during nearly the whole of that period had been kept confined in an iron-barred cage in his home. The recent death of his mother, who had taken care of him, caused his relatives to make application for his admission to a public institution.

Indiana Woman Suffragists.

Indianapolis, Ind., March 29.—Woman suffrage advocates were gathered here in force from all over the state today at the opening of the annual convention of the Indiana Woman Suffrage association. Mrs. Anna Dunn Noland, of Logansport, called the convention to order. The sessions will conclude tomorrow.

Bible Celebration in England.

London, March 29.—Many eminent speakers, both lay and clerical, were heard at the great meeting held in Royal Albert hall today to commemorate the tercentenary of the completion in 1611 of the "authorized version" of the English bible published by command of James I.

Labor Leaders Visit Atlanta.

Atlanta, Ga., March 27.—President Gompers, Secretary Morrison and other prominent officials of the American Federation of Labor came to Atlanta today to attend an anniversary celebration of the Atlanta Federation of Trades and also to discuss arrangements for the annual convention of the American Federation of Labor, which is to be held here next November.

Western Scientists to Organize.

Berkeley, Cal., March 30.—The Pacific Association of Scientific Societies began a two days' meeting here today with a large and representative attendance of educators and others. Plans for the organization of a western auxiliary of the American Association for the Advancement of Science are to be discussed at the meeting.

BUCKETSHOPS DE LA BARRA GOES FAVORED BY DECISION DIRECT TO CITY OF MEXICO

SUPREME COURT OF COLUMBIA DECLARES LAW UNCONSTITUTIONAL AND VOID.

HARDBLOW TO GOVERNMENT STRIFF IN REBEL RANKS

Bucketshop Raids May Prove Futile and Government Attacks of Gambling May Be Frustrated by the Supreme Court Decision—Will Be Carried to Highest Tribunal by Department.

Washington, March 30.—The anti-bucketshop law was declared unconstitutional in a decision by Justice Wright of the supreme court of the District of Columbia. He says the law is ambiguous.

Indictments exist against 13 bucketshop proprietors who were arrested in raids at Washington, Baltimore and Chicago, at the instance of the department of justice. The case will be appealed.

If the decision is sustained the government's crusade against stock gambling will be frustrated.

The bucket shop defendants are: Louis Cella, Angelo Cella, Edward Altomus, Samuel Adler of St. Louis, H. Duryea and Charles Allen of Washington; A. Tilles, William Fox, Robert Hall, Samuel Raymond, Oscar Rappell, E. M. Browning and Henry Stump of Baltimore. All were caught in simultaneous raids.

Attorney General Wickersham this afternoon stated that the cases will be carried to the United States supreme court.

SEARCH HABIT TO BLAME.

Because Employees Were Searched Nightly Many Died Saturday.

New York, March 30.—Fire Marshal Biers today asserted that 55 lives were lost in the Triangly factory fire because the company had built a partition and narrow doors to the elevators in order to search the employees before they quit work. He asserted the company grossly violated the city building ordinances, and that he has notified Prosecutor Whitman.

San Francisco Bench Show.

San Francisco, March 30.—The 13th annual bench show of the San Francisco Kennel club opened in Dreamland rink today and will continue until the end of the week. The exhibits include several hundreds dogs representing a wide variety of breeds. The showing of field trial dogs is especially good.

BUYS IMPORTED CLYDE.

Blue Ribbon King Sold by F. H. Neill & Son to Wallowa Man. Hector McDonald of Wallowa has just purchased the imported Clydesdale stallion (Blue Ribbon King No. 15415) from G. H. Neill & Son of Luccan, Canada, who have a number of imported stallions for sale in their barn here.

DIVORCE CASE TRIED TODAY.

North Powder Woman Seeks Legal Separation in Court. Before Judge Knowles today, Minerva Pierson of North Powder attempted to establish evidence that she is entitled to a divorce from her husband Henry Pierson. She alleges non-support and desertion, on sufficient extent to warrant the divorce.

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PIONEER UNION MAN DEAD.

J. T. Bolles, Ex-Sheriff of This County, Dead at Union.

Union, March 30.—(Special)—J. T. Bolles, ex-sheriff of Union county, died at Union yesterday afternoon. The funeral will be held Friday at 2 o'clock under auspices of the Knights of Pythias.

BURNED BY COAL OIL

Mrs. J. J. Belden Suffers Severe Burns About Face Last Night.

Dangers of coal oil as a fuel were again exemplified last evening when Mrs. J. J. Belden of North La Grande was badly burned about the face while in the act of kindling the kitchen fire by the coal oil method. An explosion of some sort threw the flames into her face and badly seared her lips and cheeks. Though she is able to be out and around today, it is not without much pain and suffering. Doctor Molitor, who was called to dress the burns, has found that permanent recovery is probable. It was by the narrowest margin that Mrs. Belden escaped frightful burns.

Yesterday's Ball Scores.

Portland, March 30.—Games yesterday in the Coast league resulted: Portland, 1, Los Angeles, 0; (ten innings); Vernon 6, San Francisco 2; Oakland 3, Sacramento 0.

DILIGENT WHITE MEN FAVORED

EMPLOYMENT OF FOREIGNERS IS NOT A MATTER OF OPTION.

Construction Company Officials Assert Desire for White Help.

That white men are idle, and have no work while foreigners are doing a bulk of the common labor under street improvement contractors is the fault entirely of the white men or the average white man—according to a statement issued by superintendents and foremen of the Warren construction company in reply to the popular agitation for white employment in preference to Greeks and Italians, who are making La Grande their rendezvous. Paving commenced today in dead earnest when "hot stuff" was laid on the Fourth street project, and with the opening of other municipal improvement projects, the question has arisen regarding the employment of idle white who claim to be in search of work. Another important development during the past few days is that scores and scores of foreigners are drifting into La Grande because the Greek and Italian colonies here are already large and bird-like flock together. The result has been that there are now hundreds of foreigners about the city idling away their time, but apparently anxious to work if work is to be had. The Q. W. laid off 80 at one time a few days ago and still other colonies have come from no one seems to know where. The employment of these men on city streets has led to criticism by many who perhaps have not studied the proposition in the light of the contractors.

One prominent official of the Warren Construction company affirmed today that his company stood willing and anxious to hire white help where it was shown that the men were really anxious to work. But in the meantime they must keep their project under way and the reliable employees, on the whole, are the foreigners. "Show us the white men who are willing to work and maintain a prestige of diligence and steadiness and we will be glad to hire them in preference to the foreigners."

Up to date the flood of the foreign elements has not proven itself particularly obnoxious to the pace of the city, yet the police department is keeping close surveillance of the gathering places of these men. Unless the influx ceases soon the question will become a problem needing speedy attention, according to many who have followed developments.

FOWLER SEEMS FATALLY ILL LATE TODAY

LITTLE VARIATION IN HIS CONDITION AT LATE HOUR THIS AFTERNOON.

SICK WIFE CALLED HOME

Ex-Councilman and Coal Dealer in a Precarious Condition With Complicated Heart Trouble—Rumored Dead This Forenoon—Family Called to Bedside by Urgent Messages Last Night.

At four o'clock this afternoon Mr. Fowler is alive and reported to be in practically the same condition as earlier in the afternoon.

Suffering with complicated heart trouble, and showing little variation of his condition this afternoon as compared with this morning, G. E. Fowler, the ex-councilman and owner of the Fowler dray line and coal dealing establishment in this afternoon in a very serious condition and little hope of recovery is held out for him. His wife and other relatives have been called to the bedside, and at the expense of a hazardous trip to La Grande by Mrs. Fowler who has been ill for several weeks at Portland.

An erroneous rumor gained considerable spread this morning to the effect that Mr. Fowler had died at 10 o'clock but, of course, the report was at fault. At 2 o'clock this afternoon the attending physician announced Mr. Fowler is in practically the same condition, though a later report from the residence indicated the family was inclined to believe there was a slight improvement noticeable.

Because of the nature of the disease, his condition is extremely precarious and it is admitted that there is little hope for the sick man.

Mrs. Fowler reached La Grande this morning from Portland where she has been critically ill since last January. The news of her husband's rapid decline yesterday brought her home, ill though she is. She was accompanied by Miss Hill of Portland an intimate friend, Ralph Fowler of Pendleton, joined Mrs. Fowler at Pendleton early this morning and came on to La Grande with her.

Ensenada in Danger.

San Diego, Cal., March 30.—There will be no more famishing marches across deserts for insurgents under Berthold, in Lower California. Reports from Ensenada today confirm the story of the capture of Alamo. They say the rebels secured \$18,000 from Beltrand, a merchant, and also got everything in the line of clothing, food horses, etc., they wanted. Though the Mexican warship Guerrero was at Ensenada the inhabitants believe the insurgents will attempt to capture the town.

TOTAL LOSS IS \$8,000,000

EAST WING ALONE CAN BE OCCUPIED AT PRESENT.

Departments of West Wing Go to Other Albany Buildings.

Albany, March 30.—With the total fire loss at the capitol placed at \$8,000,000, the work of clearing the ruins of the west wing began today. All departments of state now located in the east wing of the building and will remain there while the west wing occupants are securing quarters in other buildings.